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1. A decree effective early September 1950 provided that all Betriebswerke (minor railroad repair shops) (Bw) keep cold some of their best locomotives as an operational reserve. These locomotives are under the control of the regional railroad headquarters concerned and must not be used for scheduled runs.
2. Six type 52 locomotives have been kept cold in Oberschoeneweide since 8 September 1950. Twelve type 52 locomotives were observed in Jueterbog on 18 September 1950. Railroad workers employed at the coal bins there said that the locomotives had been parked at Jueterbog for at least two weeks.
3. The formation of these locomotive reserves has led to considerable difficulties in scheduled passenger and freight traffic. \*

25X1 \* Comment. The measure probably concerns the formation of locomotive reserves at the disposal of the Directorate General and SOC on the one side, and of the various regional railroad headquarters on the other. The regional railroad headquarters were assigned minimum quotas of reserve locomotives which had to be fulfilled by 1 October 1950.

25X1 and This measure, which is not economical, is designed to serve Soviet interests and is bound to have a detrimental effect on scheduled rail operations.

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